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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:)
Shinji TAKEDA et al.) Atty. Docket: TM&K0004
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Serial No. 09/543,247) Group Art Unit: 2814
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Filed: April 5, 2000) Examiner: D. GRAYBILL
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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE)
AND PROCESS FOR) Date: May 3, 2001
FABRICATION THEREOF)

PETITION TO SUSPEND PROSECUTION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.103

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 13, 2001, applicants petition to have prosecution in the present case suspended for an additional period of six (6) months from the date of consideration of the Petition.

Applicants are contemplating submitting additional amendments to the claims and/or experimental evidence and/or arguments and require more time to consider the same. Therefore, the request for a further suspension of prosecution is necessary. Applicants' counsel stands ready to answer any additional questions and responding to any requests for information.

The undersigned's check for \$130.00 in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. §1.17 is attached. The Commissioner is hereby requested and authorized to charge any additional fees under which may be required now or hereafter, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account

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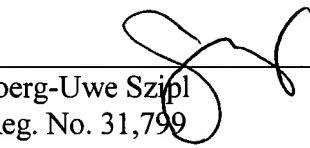
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No. 501281 under an Order Number corresponding to the above-noted Attorney Docket Number.

Respectfully submitted,

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